

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Lixiao WANG et al.

Application No:

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Examiner:

Cris L. Rodgriguez

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HIGH COMPLIANCE, HIGH STRENGTH

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Box AF Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Docket No.: S63.2-5902

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Applicant hereby appeals from the Final rejection of claims 11-17 and 35-47 mailed September 4, 1998.

On December 17, 1998 Applicant filed a communication in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 4, 1998. If the Response After Final of December 17, 1998 does not result in allowance of the claims at issue, it is Applicant's intent to appeal the claims as they stood <u>prior</u> to the Final Office Action.

The item (s) checked below are appropriate:

- 1. [X] Appeal fee \$300.00 (37 CFR 1.17(e))
- 2. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 01/12/1999 1000022-033500095 08685338

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